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TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1886.

To DAVID KNOWLES, Town Auditor:—

In compliance with chapter 40, section 10, of the General Laws of the State of New Hampshire, I herewith submit a report of all my financial transactions as Town Treasurer, during the financial year ending March 1, 1886, and present my vouchers therefor.

LANGDON M. ATKINSON, TREASURER.

RECEIPTS

1885	March	1	Cash in the Town Treasury	\$20 25
	do	August	Received from State for bounties advanced	45 40
	do	October	Received from county of Carroll, support of paupers, by hand of selectmen	166 50
	do	Nov.	Received from state, railroad tax by selectmen	22 69
	do	do	Received from state by selectmen Savings Bank tax	303 62
	do	do	Received from state, by selectmen Literary Fund	70 76
1885-6			Received from Frank Kennett, collector '85, including interest	2201 34
1886			Amount received on Alonzo Alley's collection	11 74
1885-86			Amount received from Charles E. Hayes, collector '84	288 51
				\$3130 81

PAYMENTS

Paid orders for state and county tax:

Order No 70	Solon A. Carter, state treasurer, state tax	316 00
do 77	Henry W. Furber, county treasurer, county tax	756 46
		<hr/> \$1072 46

PAID ORDERS FOR REPAIRING HIGHWAYS
AND BRIDGES, EXCLUSIVE OF AR-
REARAGES:

Order No 2	William G. Merrow for labor	\$3 25
do 4	Freeman Littlefield breaking road	4 50
do 17	Charles Kennett for labor	2 50
do 18	Thomas Granville for labor	5 00
do 20	Wm. Mason bridge plank and labor	4 00
do 23	Sam'l I. Emerson labor and use of plow	3 94
do 24	N. Merrill for labor	2 50
do 25	Charles Kennett labor and use of cart	5 50
do 26	John Ward for labor	1 25
do 27	Thomas Granville for labor	2 50
do 28	Henry Colby labor and use of plow	2 90
do 29	George G. Emerson for labor	1 87
do 33	Robert K. Chick for labor on Tasker road	11 35
do 34	Almon Stacy for labor	2 50
do 35	David C. White for labor, self and others	16 88
do 36	Granville Perkins for labor, self and others	9 69
do 37	Ephraim Joy for labor	8 00
do 38	Stephen F. Moulton for labor	6 00
do 39	John Kennett for labor	15 82
do 40	Walter Kennett for labor	5 00
do 41	William R. Thurston for labor	13 75
do 43	Edward Loud for labor	2 50
do 45	Daniel Drew for labor	12 75
do 46	Charles Emery for labor	15 29
do 47	Charles D. Webster for labor	9 25
do 48	Lewis E. Chamberlain for labor	6 56
do 49	Samuel Allard for labor	9 75

do	51	Paul P. Bickford, labor and use of plow	\$10 50
do	52	Benjamin F. Bickford for labor	7 50
do	53	I. D. Churchill for labor	3 50
do	54	Eben Downs for labor	1 25
do	55	Ruel B. Allard for labor	9 50
do	56	Henry Stacy for labor	3 75
do	61	Charles F. Lyman for labor	3 00
do	62	M. C. Mason for labor <i>of oxen</i>	5 00
do	63	William Mason for labor	3 17
do	64	Orestes Long for labor	8 75
do	65	Henry Harriman for labor	11 25
do	66	Henry Harriman, 800 ft. bridge plank	5 20
do	67	Frank R. Harmon for labor	1 25
do	69	Mark Nickerson for labor	1 25
do	71	Ruel B. Allard repairing bridge	3 62
do	72	Geo. J. Ambrose for land and gravel	12 00
do	73	Lester Ambrose for labor	1 25
do	74	F. W. Barrett labor and use of cart	7 37
do	75	Wm. Mason for 882 ft. bridge pl'k	8 82
do	76	George Nickerson for labor	1 25
do	78	Samuel M. Harmon for labor and use of tools	2 00
do	79	Holland C. Harriman for labor and use of tools	2 00
do	80	Freeman Littlefield for labor	6 00
do	81	Lewis E. Chamberlain for labor	4 00
do	82	Hiram Harriman for labor	4 50
do	83	Enoch L. Drew labor and use of tools	3 00
do	84	Thomas Granville for labor	2 50
do	85	Sewell Kennett for labor	3 25
do	86	Frank Pearson for labor	1 25
do	87	Robert K. Chick, labor self and son <i>of oxen</i> and use of tools	21 65
do	89	George Chick for bridge plank	17 05
do	90	Chas. E. Hayes, labor and use of tools	16 38
do	91	Chas. E. Hayes for 30 ft. bridge pl'k	30
do	95	Frank R. Kennett for labor and use of tools	3 25
do	96	Wm. Kennett for 1700 ft. bridge pl'k	17 00
do	100	Charles Kennett for labor	1 56
do	101	James J. Burke, labor self, hired men and oxen	11 75
do	102	James J. Burke for bridge plank	2 16

do 107	James J. Burke for labor in highway districts	\$9 54
Order No 109	Frank Pearson for labor on highway in August	1 25
do 117	Henry Pasco for breaking branch road	10 00
do 118	Jerome S. Thurston, labor on highway in August	12 75
		—————
		\$447 12

PAID ORDERS FOR SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

Order No. 1	Jacob B. Flanders, support of James M. Buckley	\$44 00
do 6	State Industrial School, board and instruction of Irving Blaisdell	19 50
do 19	Jacob B. Flanders, support of James M. Buckley	28 00
do 44	State Industrial School, board and instruction of Irving Blaisdell	25 50
do 50	Jacob B. Flanders, support of James M. Buckley	28 00
do 106	Paid Arvilla Forrest, board transient pauper. S. L. House	75
do 110	Paid Jacob B. Flanders, support of James M. Buckley	40 00
do 115	Paid George M. Atwood, med. attendance upon Hosea Roberts, county pauper	1 50
		—————
		\$187 25

EXPENSE OF DRAIN.

Order No. 97	Nathaniel M. Nason, for services, expenses and materials used in covering drain, as certified by James O. Gerry, town agent	\$45 00
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TOWN NOTE PAYMENT.

Order No. 68	Charles W. Merrow, amount of note given Albert Allard, as guardian of Geo. W. Merrow, and by him transferred to said Merrow	\$61 09
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PAID ORDERS FOR SERVICES OF TOWN
OFFICERS, EXCLUSIVE OF ARREARAGES.

Order No.	3	W. H. Trafton, for school reports	\$5 00
do	9	Mark Nickerson, services as supervisor of check list	2 50
do	10	George W. Gray, services as supervisor of check list	2 50
do	12	Charles E. Hayes, services as supervisor of check list	2 50
do	93 and 104	Josiah H. Hobbs, services as selectman	57 00
do	14 and 88	Robert K. Chick, services as selectman	30 00
do	94	Henry Harriman, services as selectman	22 00
do	112	Augustus Lary, services as town clerk	20 00
do	114	L. M. Atkinson, services as town treasurer	20 00
do	121	Frank R. Kennett, services as collector of taxes	20 00
do	122	David Knowles, services as school committee	20 00
do	123	David Knowles, services as town auditor	1 50
			<hr/> \$203 00

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Order No.	5	Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Co., for insurance of town house from March 16, noon, 1885, to March 16, noon, 1890	18 00
do	8	C. H. Parker, for printing town reports for 1884	12 00
do	11	G. H. H. Silsby & Son, merchandise for town	8 03
do	92	Josiah H. Hobbs, for money paid American Express Co., and for making and expense of recording deed of William Kennett and wife to the town	3 75
do	98	C. H. Parker, for printing and sending tax bills	1 00

Order No 108	L. M. Atkinson, for merchandise for highways	1 66
do 113	Augustus Lary, recording twenty-three births, deaths and marriages, and stationery and postage	4 00
do 116	George M. Atwood, reporting fifteen births and deaths	3 75
do 119	Charles I. Merrow, for damage to sheep by dog	3 00
do 120	William G. Merrow, for damages to sheep by dogs	12 00
		— \$67 19

ARREARAGE ORDERS PAID.

Order No.	7	James O. Gerry, services as town clerk	3 00
do	13	Charles E. Hayes, balance for services as collector 1884	24 00
do	91	Outstanding: Jonathan Harmon, for damage to sheep by dogs, made payable April 1, 1885	27 00
			— \$54 00

ORDERS FOR BOUNTIES ADVANCED.

Order No.	30	Henry Harriman, for bounties paid	\$6 90
do	31	Josiah H. Hobbs, do do	8 30
do	32	Robert H. Chick, do do	1 70
			— \$16 90

PAID SCHOOL DISTRICTS

No 1	Order No 22	To Wm. Kennett	\$40 00
do	105	do do	91 15 \$131 15
No 2	Order No 59	To Jonathan B Harmon	77 56 77 56
No 3	Order No 99	To Sam'l I. Emerson	31 97 31 97
No 4	Order No 60	To Joseph Hurn	40 92 40 92
No 5	Order No 16	To Jerome I. Thurston	35 00
do	58	do do	45 58 80 58
No 6	Order No 21	To Benj. F. Bickford	19 50
do	103	do do	46 04 65 54
No 7	Order No 15	To Richard K. Odell	18 00
do	42	do do	22 34 40 34

No 8 Order No 57	To Charles Kennett	53 83	53 83
No 9 Order No 111	To Samuel Ward	34 69	34 69
			<hr/> \$556 58

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

Total amount of receipts	\$3130 81
Paid State tax	316 00
do County tax	756 46
do Highway and bridges	447 12
do County paupers	187 25
do For drain	45 00
do Town note	61 09
do Town officers	203 00
do Miscellaneous bills	67 19
dd Arrearage orders	54 00
do Bounties	16 90
do School districts	556 58
BALANCE in town treasury	420 22
	<hr/> \$3130 81

LANGDON M. ATKINSON, TREASURER.

I, David Knowles, Auditor of the town of Madison, for the year ending March 1, 1886, hereby certify that I have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched for all expenditures.

DAVID KNOWLES, Auditor.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

To David Knowles, Auditor for the Town of Madison,

for the financial year ending March 1, 1886:

Agreeably to section 10, chapter 40, of the General Laws of the State of New Hampshire, we herewith submit a report of all our financial transactions as selectmen during the past year, and our vouchers therefor, together with a statement of the financial condition of the town:

Total valuation of the town, exclusive of Savings		
Bank deposits, bonds and town notes		\$159,686 00
Amount of Savings Bank deposits, as determined by		
Savings Bank tax		30,362 00
Resident tax list (including dog tax, \$46)		2,370 07
Non-resident tax list (including non-resident highway taxes, \$36 89)		108 11
Rate of money tax \$1 50 per one hundred dollars		
Rate of highway tax 78 cts. do do		

ACCOUNT WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

	DR	CR
Balance due town March 1, '85 as per last rep't	28 50	By amount received for bounties adv'd 45 40
Cash for state tax due Dec. 1, 1885.....	316 00	Am't of state tax due Dec. 1, 1885.... 316 00
Cash advanced for bounties	16 90	Am't received for R. R. tax
Am't of R. R. tax.....	22 69	Am't received for Savings Bank tax 303 62
Am't of Savings Bank tax	203 62	Am't received for Literary Fund..... 70 76
Am't of Literary Fund	70 76	
	<hr/> \$758 47	<hr/> \$758 47

ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY OF CARROLL

	DR.
Balance due town March 1, 1885 as per last report...	21 50
Paid for support of county paupers.....	187 25
Cash for county tax, for financial year, 1885.....	756 46
	<hr/> \$965 21
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Cash received for support of county paupers.....	166 50
By amount county tax, financial year 1885.....	756 46
Balance due town March 1, 1886.....	42 25
	<hr/> \$965 21

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Notes	Jacob B. Flanders	65 53
do	Nancy J. Harmon	29 54
do	Cora E. Mudgett	57 03
do	Emily M. Harriman	78 20
do	Rebecca F. Frost	247 88
do	Mary S. Harriman	52 26
do	Nathaniel Churchill	326 58
do	Isaac W. Frost	134 98
do	Ruth Harmon	426 62
do	Mary E. Marston	262 55
do	Nancy J. Harmon	170 63
do	Judith G. Hobbs	128 92
do	Lizzie V. Frost	450 37
do	George Kennett	234 26
do	Lizzie H. Harmon	131 25

		\$2796,60.

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Amount in town treasury	420 22
Amount due from county	42 25
Amount due from Charles E. Hayes collector 1884 including interest as per statement rendered	215 43
Amount due from Frank R. Kennett collector 1885 including interest	224 40
Amount due on Mehitable Ward debt	346 54

	\$1248 84

SUMMARY.

Liabilities of the town in notes March 1, 1886	\$2796 60
Total assets March 1, 1886	\$1248 84
(Town debt March 1, 1886) liabilities above assets March 1, 1886	\$1547 76
(Town debt March 1 1885) liabilities above assets reported March 1, 1885	\$1852 68

Liabilities with Lawrence execution cancelled as voted	\$1883 06
Liabilities specified in first two items of arrearages paid the past year	27 00
	—————
	\$1910 06
Reduction of town debt the past year	\$362 30

I David Knowles, Auditor of the town of Madison for the year ending March 1. 1886, hereby certify that I have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched for all expenditures.

DAVID KNOWLES, Auditor.

We have caused the Town House to be insured in the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company for the term of five years from the sixteenth day of March A. D. 1885, and have cancelled the Lawrence Execution, and renewed all the outstanding notes against the town, agreeably to the express directions of the town at the last annual meeting.

We have also procured from Wm. Kennett and wife a warranty deed to the town of the entire town house lot as now fenced and occupied with careful description of boundaries, and had the same duly recorded in the Carroll Registry. The town treasurer has been required to preserve and file all the town orders issued by us during the past financial year.

JOSIAH H. HOBBS,
ROBERT K. CHICK,
HENRY HARRIMAN } Selectmen
 } of
 } Madison

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The following report upon the educational interests of the town for the school year ending March 1. 1886, is respectfully submitted. Reported by districts :

District No. 1 :—Summer term taught by Miss. Millie R. Pearson. Miss Pearson is one of our best teachers, and is deserving of praise. The scholars showed good improvement and the term was one of much value to the scholars.

Winter term, taught by Mr. Henry A. Snow. Mr. Snow has a faculty for keeping up an interest in his school. Although the order was not what we would desire in a school room, the scholars made marked improvement, especially in mathematics and reading.

ROLLS OF HONOR.

Names of pupils who were neither absent nor tardy during the terms :

District No. 1, First term :—Nora B. Allard, Lilian S. Frost, Sadie E. Kennett, Mabel C. Nickerson, Carrie F. Hatch, Fannie B. Hatch, Theodore Pearson, Freddie E. Allard.

Second term :—Willie C. Kennett, Ernest Kennett, Isaiah Forrest, Herbert Chase, Fred M. Drew, George A. Gerry, Theodore C. Pearson, Florence Alley, Lilian S. Frost, Eva M. Hatch, Carrie F. Hatch, Fannie B. Hatch.

District No. 7 :—Bell Littlefield, Bertie Littlefield.

District No. 8 :—Roll of Honor not kept.

District No. 9 :—School now in session.

District No. 2 :—Charlie Long, Albert Harmon, Mabe Nickerson.

Districts No. 3 and 4 the Roll of Honor was not kept.

District No. 5 :—First term Freddie E. Warren, Mabel Flanders.

Second term, Freddie E. Warren, Mabel Flanders.

District No. 6 :—First term, Eliza M. Downs, Cora Merrow, Chester H. Churchill, Perley Downs, Jesse Lowd.

Second term, John Bickford, Herbert C. Churchill, George W. Lowd.

District No. 2:—One term taught by W. E. Andrews. Mr. Andrews has taught in this town before with good success. I found the school under good discipline, and the scholars making good improvement. For some reason the interest was not kept up and but few scholars attended the last of the term.

District No. 3:—One term taught by Miss Nora B. Allard. This was Miss Allard's first attempt at teaching. I was pleased with the order, and good feeling among scholars and teacher. I think, in time, Miss Allard will stand at the front as a teacher. Her scholars made good improvement.

District No. 4:—One term. This school was taught by Clarke Varney. It was his first attempt, and I am sorry to say he was not successful. Having no interest in the school himself, it caused the scholars to lose what interest they had. The improvement was small.

District No. 5.—Both terms were taught by Miss Sadie Nickerson. Miss Nickerson is a fine scholar and has a very pleasant way in the school room. Although the order was deficient, the scholars made good improvement, and those who wanted to learn had a chance to do so.

District No. 6:—Summer term was taught by Lizzie L. Libbey. She has taught this school several terms before, and has given the best of satisfaction. I was pleased with the examination of her school and consider her one of our best teachers.

Winter term was taught by Miss Bell Smith. Miss Smith is not an old teacher but did a good work in the school room. The order was very good, and the promptness with which the scholars answered at the examination, showed a thoroughness that was very pleasing.

District No. 7:—Both terms were taught by Miss Martha Lewis. The school was small but managed in a way to keep up a good interest to the close of the second term. The improvement was very good.

District No. 8:—One term taught by Miss Lizzie L. Libbey. Miss Libbey was diligent and faithful as usual. The result was the few who attended were benefited.

District No. 9:—One term taught by Miss Emma M. Forrest. Miss Forrest is an experienced teacher. She always gets the good will of the scholar and takes an interest alike in large and small scholars. In this way she keeps up a lively interest in her schools. I consider her as standing at the front as a teacher.

Another year has passed by and as I sum up the amount of work done, I can but feel gratified at the result. I can honestly say that the teacher and scholars alike have shown a good degree of interest with a very few exceptions. Most of the teachers have been faithful ; trying hard for their scholars, and in that way receiving credit for themselves and their scholars too. I am gratified that my town furnishes so many good lady teachers, and knowing, as I do, that our young men have talent as well, I would advise them to try one of the noblest arts, that of imparting knowledge to others. Our schools call for earnest, faithful workers, and there should be more interest manifested by the parents.

Fathers, Mothers, leave your work for an afternoon and visit the school room and see for yourselves how your children are progressing at school. Talk with the teachers and show them that you are interested in the welfare and progress of your schools. This lightens the burdens of the teachers and encourages them to put forth their most earnest endeavors. In this way our schools may be raised to a higher standard. Our motto should be "onward and upward," and everyone showing an interest in all school matters. In conclusion I ask you to awaken to new interest in our schools and all may be benefitted thereby.

D. KNOWLES, School Committee.

Madison, Feb. 26, 1886.

STATISTICAL TABLE

No. District	Length of school in weeks	Wages per month, including board	Whole number scholars	Av. daily attendance	No. studying reading	No. studying spelling	No. studying penmanship	No. studying arithmetic	No. studying geography	No. studying grammar	No. studying history	No. studying composition	No. studying physiology	No. studying book-keep'g	Vists by parents & citizens
1 8	\$20 00	26	23	26	23	20	22	12	8	8	8	8	2	7	43
1 8	48 00	38	—	38	38	27	38	21	20	20	—	5	5	5	27
2 9	33 00	19	17	19	19	—	12	5	3	5	—	—	—	—	14
3 11	10 00	12	11	12	12	8	8	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4 12	20 00	21	15	21	21	—	10	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	9
5 8	17 20	19	17	19	19	12	16	8	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
5 8	17 20	23	20	23	23	13	19	9	6	—	—	—	—	—	12
6 6	17 00	14	13	14	14	10	10	7	—	—	—	2	—	—	12
6 6	14 00	14	12	14	14	9	10	9	6	—	—	—	—	—	7
7 10	12 00	8	8	8	4	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7 6	12 00	9	—	9	1	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8 11	17 00	10	9	10	9	8	6	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
9	25 00	11	6	11	11	8	10	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—



